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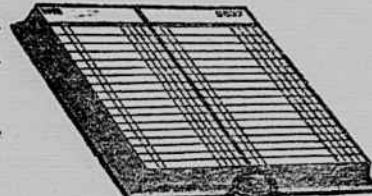
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THE CITY COUNCIL.

It Settles the Sidewalk Question and Makes an Appropriation.

The regular monthly meeting of the town council was held at the mayor's office last Monday night. Present, Mayor Skeen, J. B. Adams, C. D. Kunkel, H. E. Fox and W. T. Goodloe. Absent, C. W. Evans and C. E. Spalding. On motion, duly seconded, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. The first and most important subject discussed by the council was the sidewalk question. The committee on sidewalks reported and made a proposition, which was to lay sidewalks on Wyandotte, Clinton and Shawnee avenues, East 5th street, Jerome street, East 4th and Pearl streets. The report was adopted with the exception of East 4th street and Clinton, from East 5th to East 4th street. The plan is to lay plank sidewalks on both sides of all the above named streets, six feet wide, except on Wood avenue, which is to be eight feet wide and to extend from Jerome street to East 1st street, on Poplar Hill.

A motion was made by H. E. Fox that the town council pay to Robert Jones the sum of \$50 for the capture of the negro, John Street, and delivery over to the sergeant.

An ordinance was passed extending the time for the commencement of laying pipe by the Big Stone Gap Water Company, as set forth in an ordinance passed March 3rd, 1890.

M. E. CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.
Big Stone Gap Gets a Good Preacher in the Rev. J. O. Straley.

As those of the Post's subscribers who are Methodists know, Big Stone Gap is within the bounds of the Holston Conference, the annual meeting of which organization was held the past week at Bristol and adjourned on Tuesday. Bishop Keener, who presided over the sessions of the conference, announced the appointments for the ensuing conference year on Tuesday. Those for the Jeffersonville district were as follows:

East Tazewell Circuit—H. F. King.
Cedar Bluff Station—J. C. Postell.
Liberty Hill Circuit—E. F. Kaidie.
Elk Garden Circuit—B. W. S. Bishop.
New Garden Station—W. L. Pughman.
Richlands Mission—W. A. Mitchell.
Lebanon Circuit—S. S. Weatherly.
Gate City Station—J. E. Hook.
Dickensville Circuit—L. H. Little.
Gladesville Circuit—G. W. Presley.
Big Stone Gap Circuit—J. O. Straley.
Clintonville Circuit—B. C. Horton.
Eastville Circuit—E. H. Farley.

The Rev. J. O. Straley, who is to be the new pastor of the churches in the Big Stone Gap circuit, has for the past two or three years been in charge of the Mary street mission in Bristol, and did noble work in causing a handsome new church structure, adapted to the wants of the constantly growing congregation, to be erected last year. He was married in the Main street church in Bristol on the 21st inst., by the Rev. Dr. Sullivan, president of Centenary College, Cleveland, Tenn., to Miss Lulu Anderson, daughter of J. J. Anderson, of Bristol, a lovely young lady, well qualified. It is said, to be an efficient helpmeet to her husband in his sacred calling. Mr. Straley is a fine preacher.

ON THE RAMPAGE.

A Drunken Negro Rips Around and Defies Arrest, but is Taken In.

A lively fracas occurred Monday afternoon on Wyandotte avenue, caused by Tom Pierson, a colored waiter at the Intermont Hotel, who was raising a disturbance in the streets, being intoxicated, and John Willis, who attempted to arrest him. He resisted arrest, and threatened to shoot Willis, by placing his hands on his hip pocket, as if to get his revolver; whereupon Willis fired five shots at the negro, but none took effect. Gordon Gilly arrived on the scene about this time, and, after a hard tussle, in which both fell to the ground and engaged in a rough and tumble fight, succeeded in taking him to the lock-up. At the police court, Tuesday afternoon, two charges were brought against the negro, one for disorderly conduct and the other for resisting arrest. For the first offense he was fined \$5 and costs, and for the second \$15 and costs.

A charge was also brought against Mr. Willis for indiscreetly performing his duty as an officer and shooting with intent to kill; but after the case was ably argued by Mr. H. C. McDowell, Jr., for the defense, and by Messrs. Addison & Hardin for the prosecution, the officer was acquitted.

The decision of the mayor in the matter was a just one. No policeman is required to wait until a drunken desperado draws his pistol. It is sufficient if the policeman has reasonable grounds for believing the person to be arrested is about to draw his weapon and intends to shoot. There is

DON'T TOUCH OURS.

Gen. Alger's Expert Examines the Coal Fields at Middlesborough and Makes an Analysis of it.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 9.—When Gen. R. A. Alger visited Middlesborough recently, he took Mr. Courtis, a distinguished expert with him. Mr. Courtis has made his report which has been published here. It is as follows:

"I have the honor to submit a few notes of our recent visit to Middlesborough, Ky., and the results of my analyses of the coal and iron specimens that I myself took from different headings. To compare with my results, I give averages taken from the different authorities. I also give a copy of a little sketch from the Engineers and Mining Journal, which will give you a very clear idea of how favorably Middlesborough is situated in the midst of the immense resources of coal, iron and other minerals. The upheavals of the country at this point seem to have placed these stores in the most accessible manner for cheap production.

"While coal and iron coexist in many parts of the great chain that extends from Pennsylvania to Alabama, yet large portions are barren or so distorted that the coal is uncertain and worthless. No. 2. At Middlesborough, the coal seams appear from the work that has been done on them at the Mingo and Ralston workings, to be very evenly laid down over fields, and the headings enter the coal with a gentle rise of about one foot in a hundred, making underground transportation easy. The coal is very generally free from slate and iron pyrites. It is divided into two seams with one and a half inches of parting slate between, thus facilitating the exploitation of the coal.

"There are eight workable seams above the water level, giving about thirty feet of solid coal. The seams vary from twenty-two to seventy-two inches at the Ralston mines, and crop out 200 to 600 feet above the railroad.

"The coal has been tested by double entries, driven in from 250 to 750 feet, at points one and one-eighth miles apart, while the croppings extend for two and three-fourths miles, with a depth of one and one-half miles, making the possible tonnage immense even in this one tract. The workings show a regular seam of fine, bright coal for the most part, nowhere less than four and one-half feet.

"Its qualities may be seen from the following analyses:

	Ralston mines, Mingo	1, upper 2, lower mines, No. 2.
Water	1.700	1.250
Vol. matter	26.720	35.750
Fixed carbon	59.615	62.800
Ash	1.300	1.700
Sulphur	0.494	0.530
Phosphorus	Traces	Traces
Ash	Li. brown. Same. Same	

"Total sulphur not accurately determined, as no agents on hand proved impure, but it is very low.

"The coal appears to be strong and bright. As a flaming coking coal, this will answer the requirements of every industrial purpose.

"Of the favorable location, beautiful scenery and natural advantages of Middlesborough there can be no doubt. Already a sufficiently large plant with its varied industries to use a large output has been secured, and development has progressed so far that the result seems to be beyond speculation.

To the Editor of the Post:

Sir—In an account of the arrest of the negro Pearson sent from here to the Bristol Courier, the following sentences occur: "Mr. Shortt, another officer appeared on the scene; because the man was 'noisy drunk,' and called Gilly, saying he should not have called him, Shortt scolded his way and proposed to strike the negro two or three times in the head with his gun. This morning it is said, a warrant was issued for Shortt's arrest, for unlawfully abusing the negro."

The extent of my connection with Pearson's arrest consisted in aiding to carry him to the jail. He was very obstinate, noisy and abusive, applying to us the vilest epithets en route, and actually resisting our efforts to lock him up. Under these conditions I did lock him up. Under these conditions I did lock him up. Under these conditions I did lock him up.

Suggestion About Pavements.

Big Stone Gap, Oct. 7 1890.

To the Editor, Big Stone Post.

Sir—Granolithic pavement is put on Main street sidewalks in Bristol, at a cost twenty-five cents per square foot. If a sufficient number of property holders should combine to induce the contractors on that work, to lay such walks here at the same price, I will put my name in the list for my twenty-five feet frontage.

Wooden boxes may be laid underneath the pavement across the walks to receive such pipes as may be needed in the future, avoiding any necessity for disturbing the pavements.

Yours truly, J. M. H.

FISH CULTURE.

Interview With Gen. Ayers in regard to the Prospect of Restocking our Streams.

A reporter of the Post had a talk with Gen. Ayers the other day in regard to the stocking of our rivers with fish. "I have made all the arrangements," said he, "to secure an abundance of young fish of various varieties, such as are adapted to our waters, and propose to restock the streams as soon as the work on the railroads is over, and there ceases to be any danger of having them dynamited. They can be had at any time. McDonald, the United States Fish Commissioner, says he will give us a car load."

It is to be hoped Gen. Ayers will carry out his purpose as soon as possible. It will be many years before the railroads throughout this section are completed, for as fast as one is finished another is under construction. But if the law against killing fish with dynamite is enforced, the young fish will be safe. The community should see that this law is respected. Every violator of it should suffer the severest penalty imposed by it.

The Most Common Misquotation.

(From the Union Observer.)

"What is the most common misquotation in the English language?" asked the inquisitive member of the Cogburn Club, this morning, as the priest entered. The answer came promptly:

"When Greek meets Greek, then comes the tug of war."

"Well, what is the matter with that?" asked the inquisitive member.

"That is the most common misquotation in the English language," responded the priest. "I heard the late Roscoe Conkling say once that he won a basket of wine from Clement L. Vallandigham on that quotation. He wagged that Mr. Vallandigham could not tell what the correct words were, nor who wrote them, nor when they were written. And he won the correct point. Now put yourself in Mr. Vallandigham's place. What would you have done?"

"I should have declined to make the bet," said the inquisitive member.

"And I," and I," came from all parts of the room.

"But I should not," said the priest.

"When Greeks joined Greek, then was the tug of war," is the correct quotation. It was written by Nathaniel Lee, an Englishman, about the year 1700.

"Did you ever see it quoted correctly?" asked the inquisitive member.

"Never in the newspaper," said the priest.

J. M. Goodloe.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1890.

sell to the highest bidder for cash, as to so much as may be necessary to defray the expenses of executing this trust and to discharge the obligation created in said deed of trust, the balance if any to be made payable at such time and so much in such manner as the assignee of E. C. Harvey shall prescribe and direct, or in case of failure to give such directions, at such manner as shall at the time seem to me best, the following choice lots:

Block 26, lots 1, 2 and 15.

Block 3, lots 19 and 20.

Block 17, lot 7.

Block 18, lot 4.

Block 20, lot 18.

Block 36, lots 11 and 12.

Block 24, lots 1 and 2.

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That Improbable Story.
(New York Dispatch.)

A Dunlap cable from London gives an interview with the proprietor of the Hotel Metropole, where Col. Pepper, of Lexington, Ky., had his peculiar experience. The landlord says that the colonel is a joker; for no clerk is on duty at 11 o'clock at night, and it is a night porter, six feet two inches high, formerly a soldier, who gives out the keys, and would not be afraid of Col. Pepper if he had fifty pistols.

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